

New chart lists ages for services facilities use

The chart below identifies the ages children must be to use 48th Services Squadron facilities and participate in certain activities.

"There was confusion as far as where kids could and couldn't go," said Lt. Col. Michael O'Dell, 48th SVS commander. "This should clarify it."

Children and parents now have specific guidelines they can use to decide what on-base activities they want to participate in, he added.

Youth in the Very Important Teen program can participate in even more activities, said O'Dell. Teens who qualify and who have been trained at certain facilities are allowed to use the facilities when they like. The facilities include the fitness and sports center, golf course, arts-and-crafts center and woodcrafts center.

The VIT program will be expanding to include other facilities, said O'Dell. For more details, call Ext. 5373.

"These programs are just another way the 48th Services Squadron tries to improve quality of life at RAF Lakenheath," said O'Dell.



Photo by SrA. Sarah Franco

Kate Galloway uses the base swimming pool Tuesday as part of the RAF Lakenheath Barracuda swim club.

Facility/Activities	Minimum age to use facility/ activities without supervision	Minimum age to use facility/ activities with supervision	Minimum age to use facility/ activities in a staff-supervised services program
Aero club	17 years old	15 years old	15 years old for lessons, 16 years for solo and 17 years for licence
Bowling center	10 years old	None	3 years old for Young American Bowling Association
Electric Avenue	10 years old. 18 for PG material	None	Not applicable
Liberty Club	18 years old	None	Not applicable
Golf course	14 years old to attend junior clinic. Otherwise, 16 years old	8 years old on course. None to use pro-shop and snack bar	8 years old for classes
Officers' club	18 years old	None	Not applicable
Rod and gun club	12 years old. 18 years to shoot	10 years old to shoot. None to use restaurant	10 years old
Skating rink	10 years old	None	6 years old for classes
Lodging	18 years old	Not applicable	Not applicable
Outdoor recreation outings	Determined by activity	Determined by activity	Determined by activity
Outdoor recreation equipment checkout	18 years old	12 years old	Not applicable
Arts-and-crafts center	16 years old. 13 if VIT	12 years old	6 years old School's Out Arts Program
Wood crafts center	16 years old. 13 if VIT	12 years old	6 years old SOAP
Auto crafts center	16 years old	12 years old	12 years old
Library	10 years old	None	3 years old preschool
Community activities center	10 years old	None	6 years old SOAP
Information, Tickets and Tours	16 years old	Determined by activity	6 years old SOAP
Pizza place	10 years old	None	6 years old
Fitness and sports center	16 years old. 13 if VIT	6 years old. Must be 16 years old or 13 years old if VIT to use equipment.	6 years old for classes
Youth activities	9 years old	5 years old	5 years old
Youth sports program	9 years old	None	5 years old
Swimming pool	11 years old with demonstrated ability to swim	Potty-trained children	3 years old for classes
Minors left alone overnight. (If any children are under 14, an adult must be present)	14 years old or over	Not applicable	Not applicable
Minors unsupervised (not accompanied by a parent or qualified baby-sitter)	10 years old or over	Not applicable	Not applicable
Minor left unattended inside a vehicle	9 years old or over	Not applicable	Not applicable
Qualified baby-sitter	12 years old or over	Not applicable	Not applicable
Purchasing alcohol	18 years old or over	Not applicable	Not applicable
Consuming alcohol on base	18 years old or over	None, with parent only in confines of private home	Not applicable
Consuming alcohol off base	18 years old or over	None, with parent only in confines of private home	Not applicable
Purchasing rationed tobacco products	18 years old or over	Not applicable	Not applicable
Purchasing non-rationed tobacco products	16 years old or over	Not applicable	Not applicable
Using tobacco products	16 years old or over if non-rationed. 18 years old or over if rationed	16 years old or over if non-rationed. 18 years old or over if rationed	16 years old or over if non-rationed. 18 years old or over if rationed